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MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents, Special Education Directors, Curriculum Coordinators, Career and

Technical Center Directors, Local and Regional Standards Boards, Higher Education

Institutions

FROM: Marta B. Cambra, Director of Educator Quality

RE: Revised Licensing Regulations effective April 1, 2008

DATE: April 1, 2008

The Educator Licensing Regulations were extensively revised in September 2003. However, upon implementation, it became evident that in a number of places the language in the current regulations is not clear. This lack of clarity generates questions, appeals, and the need for an ever increasing number of VSBPE policies to clarify regulatory confusion.

Therefore, in consultation with the Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators (VSBPE), the Educator Quality Division (EQ) moved forward to try to rectify these ambiguities. This educator licensing regulation revision process has had two primary goals:

- To resolve outstanding problems created by or overlooked in the last round of regulation revisions
- To clarify confusion or inconsistencies in the language of certain sections of the regulations

In each case, the revisions address issues that have been brought to our attention by the field, including members of the VSBPE. These revisions are not intended to substantially change the requirements for initial licensure, relicensure, program approval, or the appeal process, as was the case in the last round.

Please find below, a summary of the revisions to the Licensing Regulations. The complete regulations can be found on our web page at:

http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/licensing/regulations endorsements.html

Please feel free to contact me if there are any questions.

Attachment

